

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended): A floor mat, comprising;
a top portion including a plurality of air ventilation apertures;
a bottom portion connected directly or indirectly to said top portion and at least partially sealing an interior space therebetween;

a scent-containing member within said interior space; and
a flap, being integrally formed with said top portion and removably connected to said bottom portion, wherein when said flap is closed, said interior space is completely sealed, with entry and exit of air solely through said air ventilation apertures, and wherein when said flap is opened, access to said interior space is permitted for replacement of said scent-containing member with a new scent-containing member;

wherein, upon application of pressure to said top portion, said floor mat releases scented air to a surrounding area; and upon release of said pressure, said floor mat draws in additional air to be scented.

2. (currently amended): A floor mat, comprising;
a top portion made of a flexible material and including a plurality of air ventilation apertures;
a bottom portion connected directly or indirectly to said top portion and at least partially sealing an interior space therebetween;

a scent-containing member within said interior space; and

a flap, being integrally formed with said top portion and removably connected to said bottom portion, wherein when said flap is closed, said interior space is completely sealed, with entry and exit of air solely through said air ventilation apertures, and wherein when said flap is opened, access to said interior space is permitted for replacement of said scent-containing member with a new scent-containing member;

wherein, upon application of pressure to said top portion, said floor mat releases scented air to a surrounding area through said ventilation apertures; and upon release of said pressure, said floor mat draws in additional air to be scented through said ventilation apertures.

3. (currently amended): A scent dispersing mat structure, comprising;

a top portion including a plurality of air ventilation apertures;

a bottom portion connected directly or indirectly to said top portion and at least partially sealing at least one interior space therebetween;

a scent-containing member within said interior space(s);

a flap, being integrally formed with said top portion and removably connected to said bottom portion, wherein when said flap is closed, said interior space is completely sealed, with entry and exit of air solely through said air ventilation apertures, and wherein when said flap is opened, access to said interior space is permitted for replacement of said scent-containing member with a new scent-containing member;

wherein, upon application of pressure to said top portion, said mat releases scented air to a surrounding area; and upon release of said pressure, said mat draws in additional air to be scented, and

a ~~coating, fabric or textiles layer~~ of carpeting covering at least said top portion except for said ventilation apertures.

4. (currently amended): A mat as claimed in claim 1, wherein said scented member comprises ~~one of a foam member, an aerosol member, a pump, and a time release agent.~~

5. (original): A mat as claimed in claim 1, wherein at least one of said top and bottom portions is elastically deformable, so as to draw in said additional air upon release of pressure through a rebound action.

6. (canceled)

7. (new): A mat as claimed in claim 1, wherein a push pump is integrally formed within said top portion.

8. (new): A mat as claimed in claim 1, wherein each of said top and bottom portions, respectively, further comprise a plurality of protrusions which are integrally formed on the outer surfaces of said top and bottom portions, wherein

said protrusions help a user's foot to grip and maintain position on the floor or other surface where said mat is placed.

9. (new): A mat as claimed in claim 1, wherein each of said top and bottom portions, respectively, further comprise a plurality of protrusions in the shape of long ribs which are integrally formed on the outer surfaces of said top and bottom portions, wherein said protrusions help a user's foot to grip and maintain position on the floor or other surface where said mat is placed.